

MOUNTAINS RECREATION & CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

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MEMORANDUM

To: The Governing Board

FROM: / Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA, Executive Officer

DATE: November 4, 2009

SUBJECT: Agenda Item V(b): Consideration of resolution authorizing acceptance of a budget amendment and request for a scope amendment to SMM-0776.

<u>Staff Recommendation</u>: That the Governing Board adopt the attached resolution authorizing acceptance of a budget amendment and request for a scope amendment to SMM-0776.

<u>Background</u>: The MRCA had requested in August that the Conservancy amend SMM-0776 to add an additional \$700,000 to the grant. The Conservancy approved the augmentation at its August 31, 2009 meeting. This is the formal action to accept that augmentation.

In addition, the MRCA has determined that Ramirez Canyon Road needs certain safety related improvements. These improvements include the removal of encroachments, paving extension and tree trimming. Staff is requesting that the Conservancy amend the scope of the existing grant to include implementation of these safety improvements. The MRCA is not requesting additional budget augmentation for this work. Staff hopes to pay for this through budget savings in other categories.